IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : William A. Blair et al.

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For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DETECTING OBJECTS

USING TAGS AND WIDEBAND DETECTION DEVICE

Examiner : Christine D. Hopkins

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 26, 2007, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.